



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

TACHIKAWA et al.

Art Unit: 2853

Application No.: 09/904,105

Examiner: NGUYEN, LAM S

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For: CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM IRRADIATOR AND THERAPY SYSTEM
EMPLOYING THE SAME

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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March 15, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003, please consider the following remarks.